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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Halladay et al. Docket No.:IR-2763 (MRW)  
Serial No.: 09/672,437 Group Art Unit: 1774  
Filed: September 28,2000 Examiner: Thompson, Camie S.  
For: *"Composite Shims Having A Laminate Structure"*

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 1,2003, kindly amend the subject application as follows: